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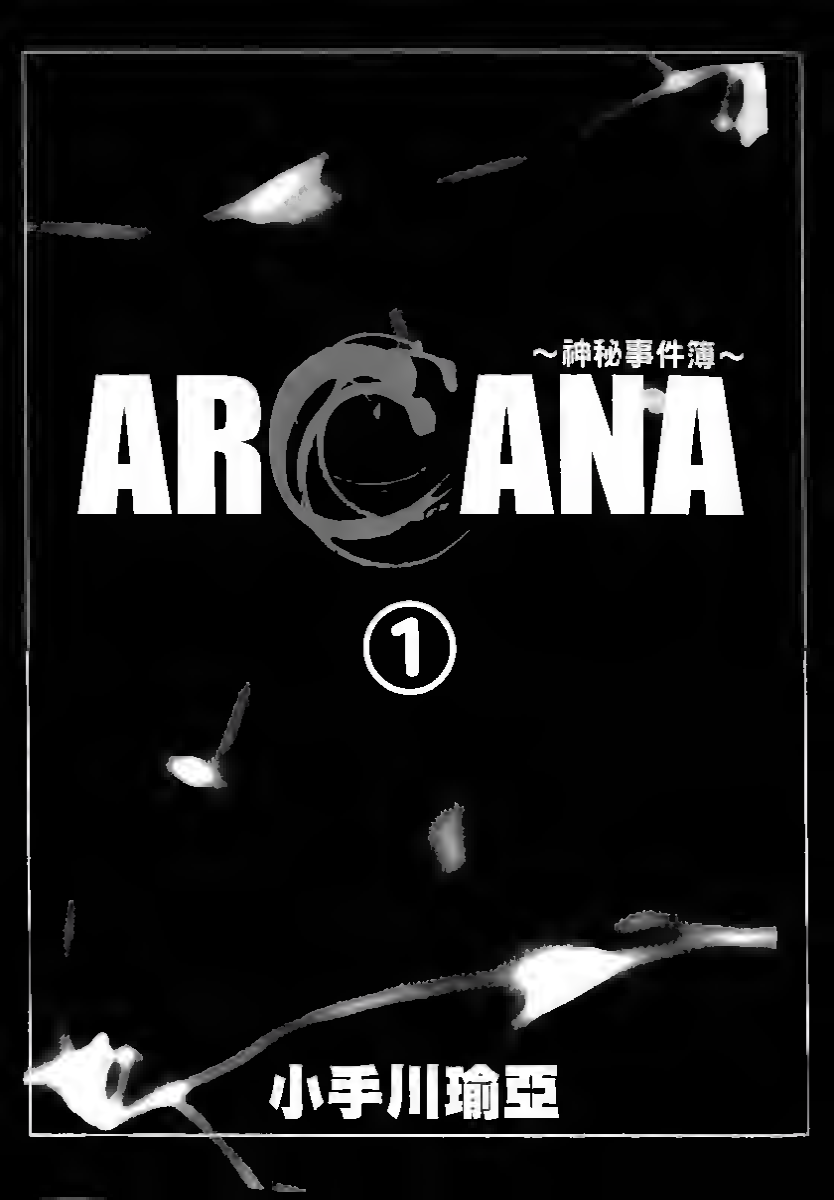
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HIGH PRIESTESS

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It is so painful ...
It hurts ...
Help me!
ズル
ズルル

You guys have already died
It hurts a lot...
Hmm ...
It doesn't hurt anymore, right?

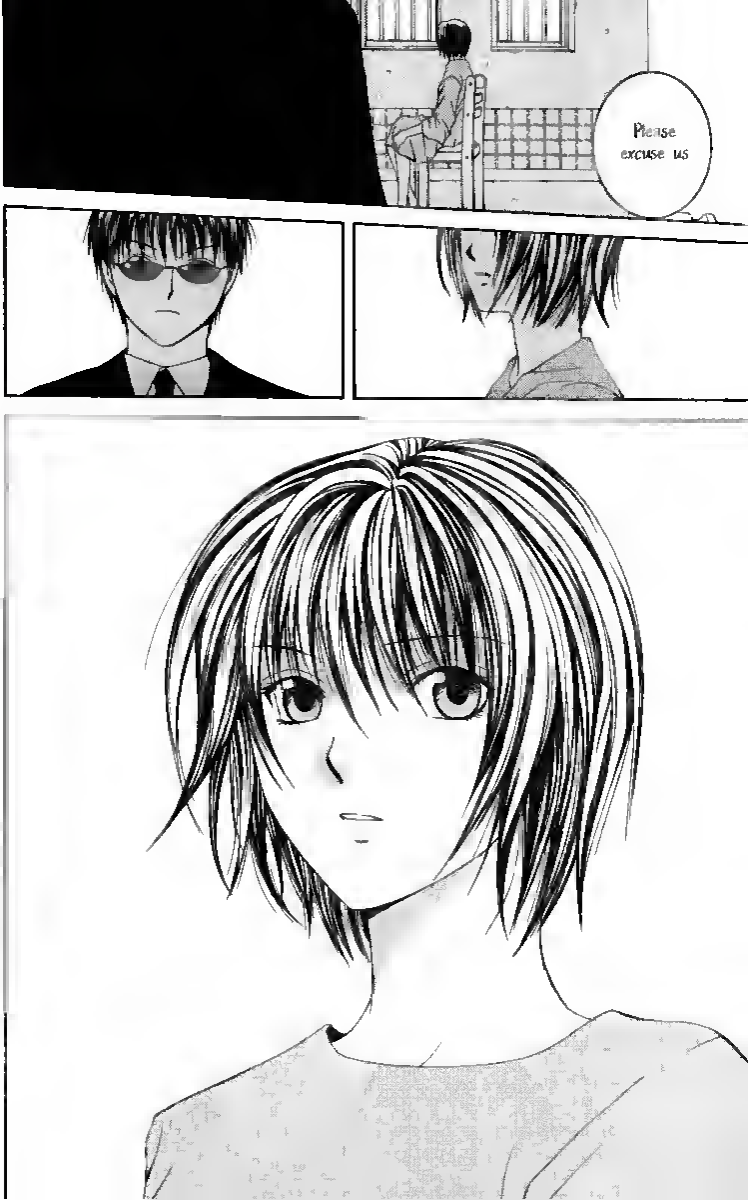
RING
RING
RING
Hello ...
This is yamato
1st elementary
school
It is
planted in a
desk inside
the room of
the second
grade's
second
classroom
located on
The second
floor,
and it is
going to
explode
soon!
Wait
a minute,
what are you
talking about?
There is
a bomb
planted
in the
school!
Please
escape
now!
Ah?
Is this a
prank?
!!!
Please save
the children
quick,
Run for
your lives!

Minagawa Mental Clinic
Two consecutive explosion cases have left thirteen elementary school students dead?
Senpai, this case really sucks!

He did warn everyone to run away over the phone,
let's interrogate him a little bit first
Well...
What do you think Senpai?
Hmm
The suspect of the consecutive explosion cases is a doctor at the mental clinic?
This is Nakabayashi
Hi, I am Murakami from the police department
Doctor yuukin
We would like to talk to you about you giving prior warning through the phone about the bombing incident

But, I'm not the one behind the crime
I did make the phone call
Who did you hear it from?
That's because...
Then how did you know about the explosives?
It doesn't matter, try me
I don't think you guys will believe me even if I told you?
What the hell?
It was a patient's...
prophecy

About a month ago, the police picked her up along a road and brought her to this hospital
She didn't have any money on her either
She couldn't remember her name, age, or address, and she lost all her memory
We've conducted various examinations on her but her body is perfectly healthy
No one ever reported her missing to the police so she was brought here for rehabilitation
There is no apparent trauma to her brain,
and her mental state seems to be pretty stable as well
The only problem is that she acts in a peculiar manner
She claims she can see spirits
Spirits?!?
Please speak with her a bit first
You will soon understand how unbelievable her abilities are
What do you mean? Spirits?
Do those kinds of things actually exist?
She said the spirits of the children who died during the explosions came to her to tell her
the location of the next bomb
So you believed her and made a phone call to the elementary school?


Please excuse us

Inspector Murakami from the 1st investigation team
I am—
She's pretty cute looking...
Hello, miss
I am not either
Doctor Yuujin is not the one behind it,
Ah?
You can't see them?
!!
The people behind you told me
How the hell do you know my name ...
Don't worry about it, just leave everything to me
She may have overheard our conversation earlier , that's all
What are you afraid of, senpai?
SO SOoooOo scary,
Don't cry!
Senpai!
Senpai!
You better repay the $400,000 dollars you borrowed before the end of the month, Nakabayashi-san
I am—
Hello!

Correct
you can see spirits?
Ahem, in other words,
Correct
That's why you asked the chief doctor to make the phone call
Correct
The spirits of the children who died from the explosion were warning you ahead of time of the next explosion?
.....
Please calm down! Senpai!
How the hell am I gonna write this on the report?!!
Aren't they the ones who are insane?
How can things like spirits be believ...
What should I do?
Am I going insane?

Are you seeing something again?
There's nothing there
!
TODAY!
The next explosion will be...
Where's the location?!
!

The child... disappeared
.....
Location...
?
He was being reflected away by you and he disappeared
Your power is too strong.
D..disappeared?
Oh, he's back
Sempai! You have regain your composure!
Am I really going to lose my job ?
That's enough...I reflected them off?
It will be at 2pm in the afternoon, at the 3rd Yamato elementary school

Why do we have to come too?
Because you two are the suspects of this case...
I must confirm
I must confirm whether what you said was true or false...
Miss, can you use your spiritual power and tell me where the bomb is hidden?
.....
!
ｶﾁｬ

Who knows how to deal with this problem---
ME!
Alright, alright,
N-akabay-shi ask the principal permission for us to enter
This way
This way
Ehh?
Sorry for the disturbance
In that classroom

Where in the classroom?
In that cabinet
I will go take a look
Really? You guys back off

カチャ
キィ
Beep
EVERYONE, EVACUATE THIS AREA NOW!
Beep
Beep

ファーン
ファーン
ファーン
MOVE! MOVE!
They've all been evacuated
Group S is here!
Have all the children been evacuated?
The people from group S are still not here?
from the outside of the casing
I can't see how much time is remaining
Damn, this...
You better make sure everyone is evacuated
It will detonate in 10 minutes,
Otherwise, they will probably die
That won't be enough time to take care of the bomb

Did the spirits say this too?
.....
?
I am the one behind this
you...
The bomb there was set by me
It will detonate in 10 minutes!
!
That's why,
Please hurry up and evacuate...
or you will be caught in the explosion

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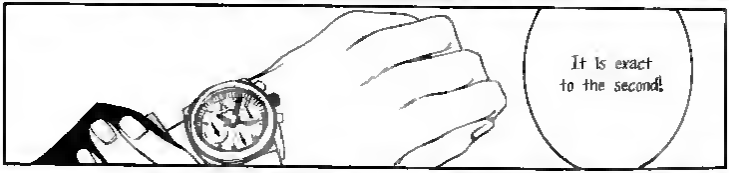
It is exact to the second!

Don't look down on the police. I didn't even have to try to figure out that you were lying
You just admitted it out of convenience in order to get us to evacuate, right?
Are you going to arrest me?

Everyone was evacuated No one was injured...

Please help me get to the bottom of this
and find the person behind this
I will believe what you say
Fine,
Instead of finding out when the explosion is, wouldn't it be better to just find the person behind it directly?
COME ON!!
When's the next explosion?
Walk this way
Ehh? You know where he is?
hahaha
This is re...really convenient...

Miss, your attire is too conspicuous, I will buy you some new clothes from that store
Ehh?
Just pick whatever you like
ジロ
ジロ
Senpai?
It is ok,
she saved my life
How's this style?
Want to try it out?
I get off cheap just buying her some clothes in return
Whoa---very cute, right?
You look like a normal person in this
Very good!
So pretty and cute!

Let's go...
...yes
She is shy
Aiya
So, it's the person living in this house?
Correct
What should we do, Senpai?
Let's try doing a routine check first
Oh, he came out
Is that him, miss?

Yes
umm...
okay
Let's go!
Please be extra cautious
That person... is very dangerous
I've seen plenty of dangerous people
Just leave it to me

SHOCK
Good evening—!
We're from the police department
Is it possible to have a word with you?
Stop right there!
BAM
Uwa~
HEY!
STOP!
HEY!

Open the door now!
hey
Go through the back door!
Don't! Run away now!
Hun?

Wahh
Waah
AAAAH

.....
Damn, it hurts so much

Are you ok?
Damn, it hurts...

What are you planning to do?!
!!
カンカンカン
Don't go over there!
How did you know it was me who did it?
Damn!
Who are you? A female police officer?
Get the hell out of my way!

Why are you hurting the children?
I don't give a damn!
Cause I felt like it. Why, do you want to die too? Get out of my way!
I will let you see...
what you've done

Huh?
グイ
ピタ
ピタ
ピタ
ピタ
aah
haah

UWAAAH
Let go!
Stop it!!!
Stop it!
It must be one of your tricks!
Let go!
Damn it!
Let me go!

You piece of shit
who only dares to target women and children!
GO TO HELL!

What the! he's out cold from just one punch
haa
Are you alright?
I'm fine
Yes, please send some police cars over
.....

Everything will be fine now,
thank you for your assistance
!
Now then, just leave everything to me
You go find your momma and pappa
?
hmm?
that's right
Then, good bye~

So cute...
But it feels so creepy
So, she can actually smile...
This is the first time I've seen her smile
Hello

Speaking of which, you don't have any relatives and you don't even know your name... It must be really frustrating
That's because, besides this, I only have the hospital gown that I can wear
It seems that you really like those clothes
Here, take this
MAKI
It is really inconvenient since you don't even have a name.
But...
what do you want me to call you?
I ... I only picked it at random
This is a gift to thank you for helping me solve the case
.....
Please continue to provide your assistance the next time we are in need of your help in an investigation

Eh?
Let's use the name of this logo as your temporary name,
okay?
?
.....
MAKI
Maki...
Your name will be Maki!
Sure

Even though she's cute, she's definitely creepy
My name
Look, he also gave me this western style clothing
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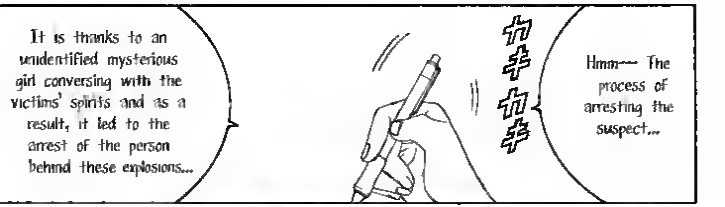
クス
クス
He said my name is Maki...


It is thanks to an unidentified mysterious girl conversing with the victims' spirits and as a result, it led to the arrest of the person behind these explosions...
カカカカ
Hmm— The process of arresting the suspect...

that's fat ♥

Murakami and Nakabayashi will definitely be demoted
BUT how else can I write this?!
Am I going to be fired?
ウアアアアアス
ヤバイ
No! I can't write it like this, AHHHHHHH!!!
Senpai, you have to calm down!

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Haa
Damn
Haa
Haa
It's you...
スウ
It's all your fault
Because of you...

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LOVERS

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HELP ME!
HELP ME!
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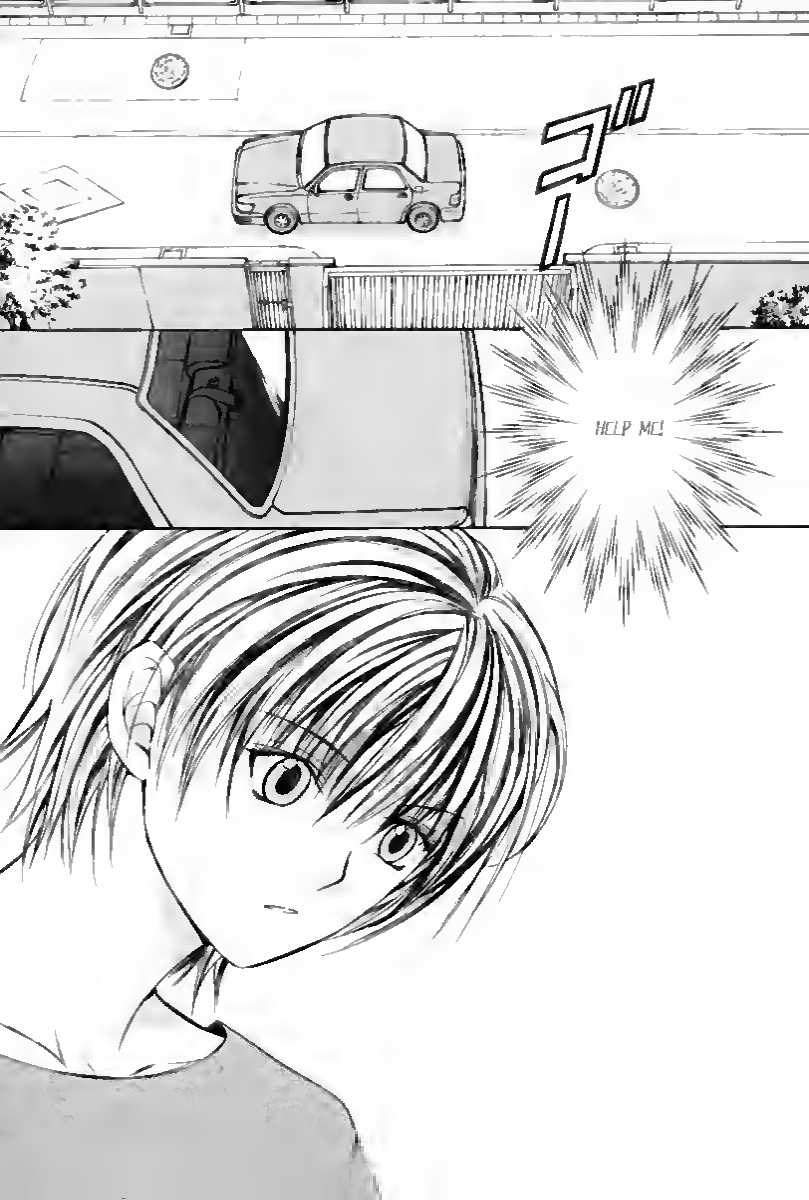
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HELP ME!

I heard that she is a patient at the mental clinic located close to the outskirts of Tokyo District.
A girl who can see spirits?
捜査一課
Also, no one reported her missing. Her identity is still unknown.
Driving
Didn't even remember her name.
When she was brought in by the police a month ago, she had lost all memory of her past.
How the hell can that be?
She used her spiritual powers to capture the suspect?
Even though they solved the case, it was meaningless
because they couldn't write a report.
hahahaha
Hm
Ehh?
Hello...

ドサ
ドサ
ドサ
Please, organize these files. wahahaha
Inspector Mulder-Murakami (laughs)
Hey, Scully (laughs), please take care of this pile.
Temporarily demoted to doing paperwork...
Senpai, it's lucky we weren't kicked off the investigation team entirely! ♥

Oii— Murakami, Nakayabashi! ♪
What is it?
The mysterious spirit girl is here.

Maki, why did you come here?
Did something happen?

"Maki"?
...what kind of name is that?
It's a temporary name that I came up with for her.

資料室
Alright, let's chat a bit.

Hello.
ニコッ
hmm... sooo cute

Someone has been murdered and is about to be buried.
Please, go help her.
I knew it would be this kind of thing.
Where is the corpse going to be buried?
In the mountains behind my mental clinic.
Who is being buried?
A woman of about 30.
Nakabaya-shi, don't ask any more.

Maki, I am sorry but the police can't do anything without evidence.
As you can see,
Nakabayashi and I have been assigned to do office work now.
Sorry, but we can't help you with this.
senpai...
Nakabayashi,
call the doctors at the mental clinic to come pick up Maki.
...yes

I understand. I will give up.
STARE
What is she staring at?
That's right, Maki, you should return to the clinic and try your best to remember your identity.
STARE
We will go back now.
I didn't notice her leaving the clinic.
Nakabaya-shi-san
Hmm?
Ah, Doctor Tomochika, welcome. Sorry we made you come all the way here.
I am really sorry about this.
He also says that woman you're dating is a con artist so don't waste any more money on her.
The amount you borrowed has increased to 50,000 yen, right?
The person behind you is really angry...

*Note: Formerly translated as Doctor "Youkin"... it's now fixed.

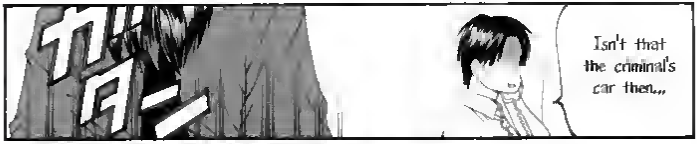
So you've been spending a lot of money on a woman?
What the hell are you saying?
Are we really going to ignore that murder case she mentioned?
Senpai... the accuracy of what she says is scary...
Can't help it. We have to follow the rules.
I mean, we are policemen...
I am only asking,

Doctor, I don't feel so good.
Please stop the car.
Ehh?
Are you ok?
Alright, I'll pull over here.
Are you okay?
Ah...
Oh, yeah.
there's tea in the car.
Wait over there a minute.
The tea has gotten a bit cold...

MAKI!!!
Ehhhh? What the...
This is strange...
help me...
please help me...

RING RING RING RING
Nakabayashi, phone call!
Coming now.
IRRITATED
Ah, Doctor Tomochika, thank you for earlier.
SHOCKED
Eh?!!!
What did you say?
I can't... can't...
Why am I paying attention?
Maki disappeared in the mountains?!
Murakami senpai...
That idiot... must have gone to look for the corpse...

It was right by a path leading into the woods.
No, there was no one in it.
when I went to look for her,
Also... I saw a suspicious vehicle parked on the side of the road.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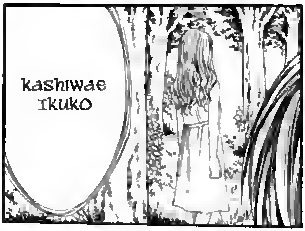
Isn't that the criminal's car then...

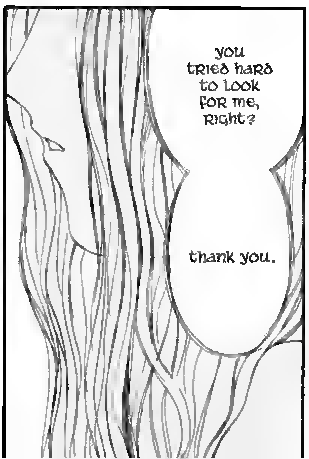
Okay!
Let's go, Nakabayashi!
I can't just sit here and do paperwork anymore!


Kashiwae Ikuko

What is your name?
Let me ask you...

he really went too far this time...
my boy-friend.
Ikuko-san, who killed you?

I'm doing this because I want to.
You don't need to thank me. Don't worry about it.


you tried hard to look for me, right?
thank you.

OVER THERE
Look, I am about to be buried.
hehe~ hehe

you will have to be buried, too.
otherwise, I will feel very lonely.
I will kill you, too!
It's okay, right?
You saw everything!
Damn!

So there are evil spirits...
I didn't realize that before.
hehe hehe
hehe hehe

MAKI!
MAKI! WHERE ARE YOU?!!
カ..カサ
Senpai, you run too fast.
Hope hurry
That's because you are overdoing it at night.
Let's go
Doctor, where is the suspicious vehicle?
It's just ahead of us.
Senpai, the ground shows traces of a heavy object being dragged.
That's not good,
if what Maki said was true... then...
Let's go.

She might run into the murderer.
Senpai!
wah!
That spiritual power of hers is always getting her into dangerous situations.
MAKI!
Please, be okay!

Oiiii ! What the hell are you doing?!
ゴウ

Huh. Wait!
Damn!

You piece of shit!
Maki, are you okay?
Hey!

You actually repelled such a strong spirit, so powerful...
Murakami-san, your aura is really strong.
Huh?
What are you talking about? I only hit him.
I'm not talking about that.
Senpai!
haa
haa
Damn, you are annoying!
.....

Master, you were possessed.
You can't see?
The woman behind you..
Then I will allow you to see.
ス

ズル
Ahhhaahh
WAAHAAAHH

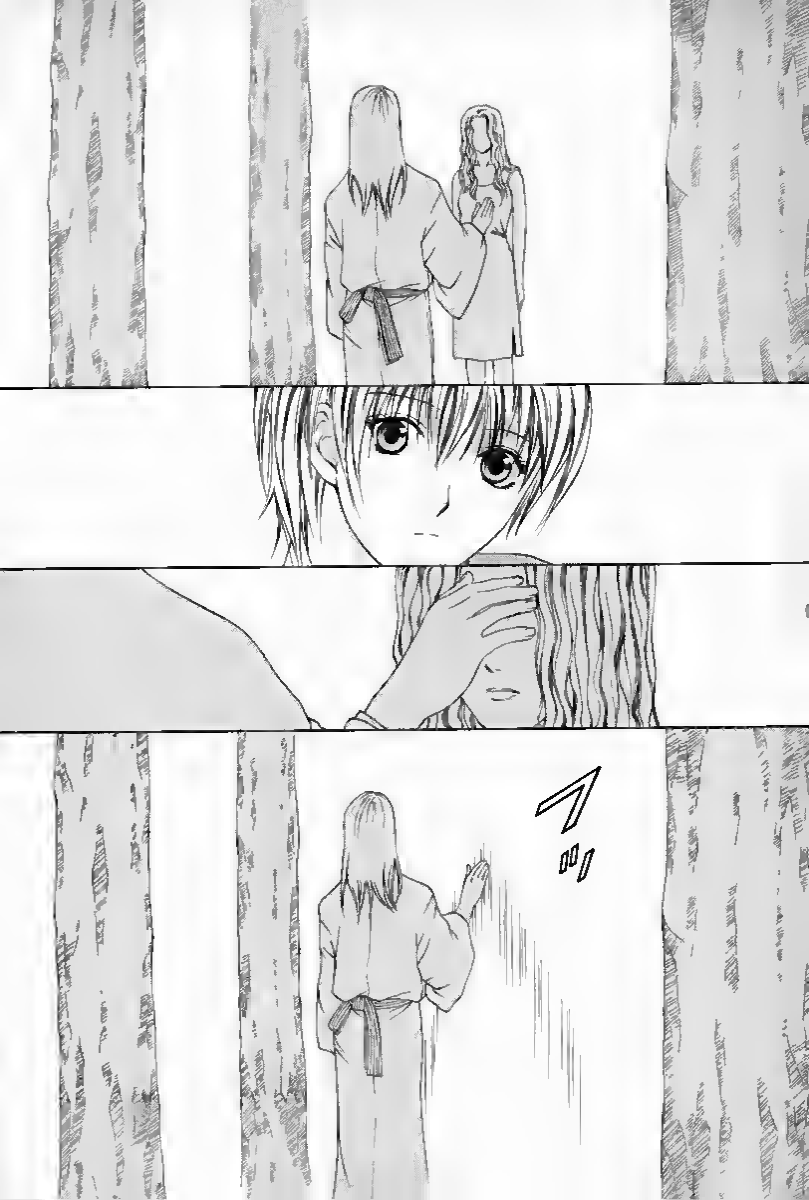
.....
?
WAHHHH-
HHHH-
HHH!
Eiiiyaaaaa!

Ikuko.
It was my mistake.
It is my fault...
Hey ! hey?!
Hel...
Help! Please help me!!!

But, you still insisted on telling my wife!
I already gave you the money for the abortion...
Who? Who told you to force me!

It doesn't matter what you say now...
She has already turned into a demonic spirit.

She will follow you everywhere.
uhh...
Wahhh!!!!
Oh?



Who are you talking to?
?
What did you just do?
Ah !
what is she talking about?
The person behind you.
I've decided to have her sleep within me
until her rage has subsided.
I absorbed her into my body.
.....
please take care of that man.
You are a very strong spirit, nee~

I beg you! Can you please speak in an understandable language? I hear you but can't understand a thing.
behind me?
Murakami-san, the person behind you is really awesome!
Oh...
Senpai, this is the corpse.
!!?
We will interrogate you on the details of this case once we get back to the police station.
You are under arrest as a suspect for the attempted disposal of this corpse.
good evening, we are the police.
You, adulterer!

Hmm…
My clothes... got dirty.

ファンファン
You don't seem to be injured.

Then I will buy you some new clothes.
Don't worry about it.
Is it from a hospital gown or pajamas?

Why are you crying?
I thought she was so pitiful.
Wa!
Ah!

And then, she was going to be buried in the earth, alone and forgotten.
No one attempted to look for her...
No one noticed her.

Because... I am all alone as well.
She was like me.
That's why I wanted to search for her.

He didn't even care about his work
and was the first one to...
Senpai was worrying about you so much.
Naka-bayashi?!
Alone?
You fool.

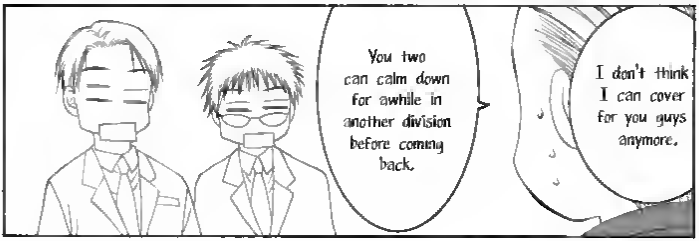
Oi, it's because we are your friends...
.....
run out here and look for you.

So, cute... I can't take it anymore...
Thanks, you two.

Thank you.

Who was she speaking to just now?
I have no idea.
stare

The mysterious spirit girl again?!?!
CHIEF OF THE 1ST INVESTIGATION TEAM
She used her spiritual powers to discover the corpse
and you later arrested the suspect.


I don't think I can cover for you guys anymore.
You two can calm down for awhile in another division before coming back.

ヒュウ
WHOOOOOOSH
MURAKAMI'S AND NAKABAYASHI'S DEMOTIONS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED

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FOOL

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Shhh! Don't make a sound while carrying it.
But...
Uhhh, Uhhhh...
That's why we have to take care of this cleanly. Any more lip from you and I'll kill you. Now hurry up!
We'll be considered murderers if this is exposed.
Shit.

whaaaa...
whaaa...
Don't cry.
What happened?

What? Are they messing with the occult? How suspicious.
It seems they were taking advantage of the amnesiac spirit girl to help them catch criminals.
Murakami, Nakabayashi.
Is that why they were transferred out of the 1st Investigation Team?
I think this task will suit you two.
Senpai, be strong!
Hahaha
Ha.. ha.. ha..
Welcome to the Personal Safety and Life Division.
Hey, bring the information over here.
Conference Room
Underground adult videos?
Recently there have been illegal sales of underground adult videos in Tokyo. You two go investigate.

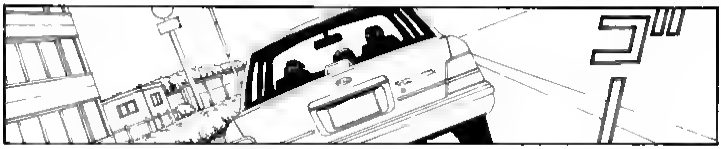
Aaaa... No..Stop!
No!
So noisy!
Aaaa... Aaaa...
I can't take these kinds of adult films,
There is no romance so they should have emotions to spare.
It looks... so real.
So explicit
She's just over there.
Oh, it's that woman.
Stop!
Aaahhh!
Hold her down!

Yahhh!! This is not suitable for children!
Hey---
Ahaaa
Aaa
Turn it off, Nakabayashi!
Hurry!
Yes!
.....
Yeah,
I can't take that much excitement.
Thump
Thump
Thump
Fuu...
You scared me.
.....
What are you doing here, Maki-chan?!
I wanted to tell you about a murder.
The woman in that video has been killed.

She's very sad.
Please, help me find her.
Maki-chan, didn't listening to spirits put you in danger last time?
It's best if that doesn't happen again.
Your power might be convenient but
it's not safe for you,
Just stay at the hospital
and focus on remembering your identity.
You want to go home, right? Your family might be waiting for you.
.....

I probably don't have a home... or a family.
That's not a certainty. Why do you think that?
You, Nakabayashi-san, everyone has somebody standing behind them.
But I don't.
Uh, normal people can't see the people standing behind us.
The person behind Nakabayashi-san says...
You borrowed another 10,000 yen from somewhere else.
He's livid with worry.
I...

pat
pat
I'll take you back to the hospital.
Even though I don't really understand what she's talking about, she must be lonely...
Nakabayashi, get the car.
Okay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His whole body is covered in spiritual energy. He must have a lot of enemies.
From the living, from the dead...
He is carrying many spirits.
I can't see anything

But, not everyone has a kind person behind him or her.
Look ahead.
Huh?

So, there is a person behind everyone, huh?
Yes, the person behind you has a strong spirit.
He must be very kind ♥
Eh--
Who is sitting next to her?

Nakabayashi, turn left up ahead.
ゴー
!
バン
Wait!
Don't stop! Keep going.
Huh?
The body is near here.

Here?
In this building?
It looks like a normal small office building.
Yep.
Without a reason, it's kind of hard.
Can't we go in and ask questions like last time?
!!
Yeah, you're right.
We can't do anything. So we should head back.
Hey...
What are you guys doing here?

?
!
Oh...
He's the murderer.
!!!

Huh?
They abused her and then kill...
Sorry! Never mind us!!
Nothing is going on Nothing at all!
Get back in the car!
.....
Hey, follow that woman.
Shit! She's a witness.

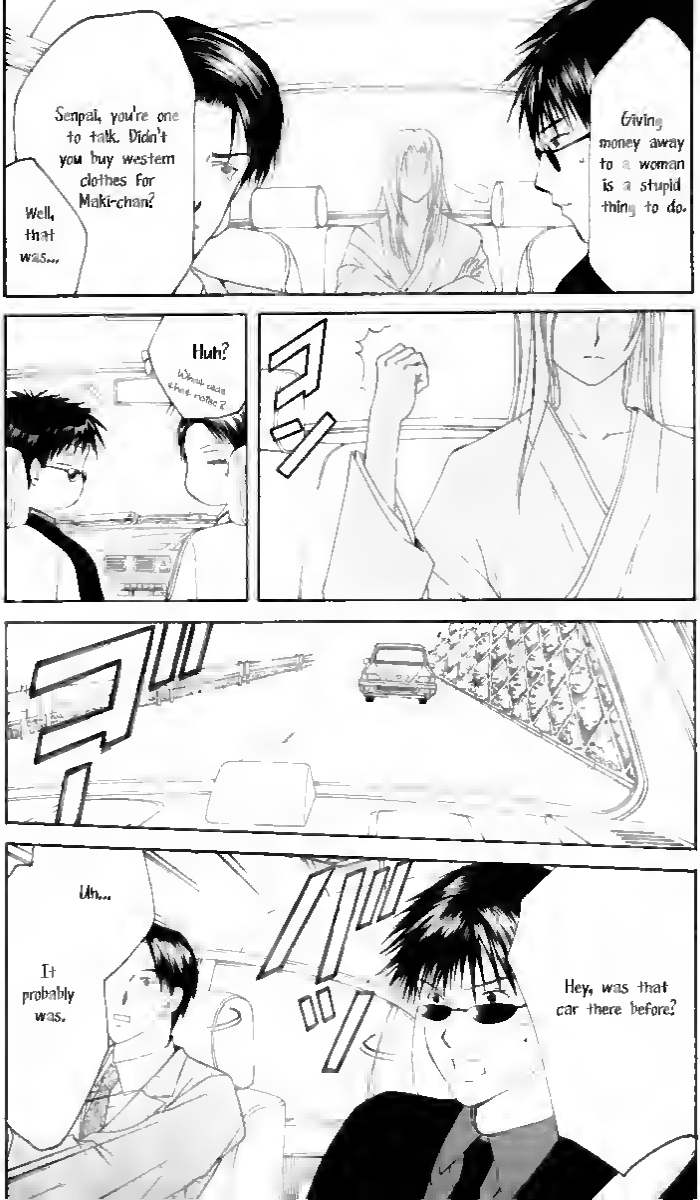
It's nothing...
Bow Bow
Thank you very much.
カヴラ
Maki-chan, when did you leave?!
I'm sorry.
Over there. The woman went into that hospital.
カヴラ
Hospital? She lives in the hospital?
That makes it hard.
Find a way to lure her out— And kill her.

Continue to follow them!
Murakami-senpai, what do you think?
Huh?

Without any evidence, we can't get a search warrant.
We have to search that office building.
We've got to find some clues.

You believe Maki-chan, right?
Can't help it.
She was right the last few times.
Can you repay the 60,000 you borrowed?

Please don't tell anyone...
I'll think about it.
Senpai♥


Giving money away to a woman is a stupid thing to do.
Well, that was...
Senpai, you're one to talk. Didn't you buy western clothes for Maki-chan?
Huh?
What was that noise?
Hey, was that car there before?
It probably was.
Uh...

We're being followed.
Seems like it.
Shit.
He's the murderer.
Maki's in danger.
After we lose them, we'll go back for her.
Yes

Onee-chan.
An onii-chan was looking for you near the back entrance.
?
Yes?
ピッ
ピッ
!
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ハハハ

Get a hold of her legs! Her legs!
Get her in the car quickly!
Hmm...
!

Let's go!
Hehe...
Up close, you're pretty cute.
Perfect. We'll use her for a new video.
I
A lot of people are swarming over you.
Huh?
!!
Whaaa...
!!!

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キュキュキュ
ゴゴゴ
ゴゴゴ

!!
What the...
What's going on?
I'm taking you in as a suspect at the scene of an accident!!
The car is completely ruined
Get out of the car!!
Murakami-san
Nakabayashi-san

The car won't start!!
Who's getting arrested?
Despicable. So you guys are kidnappers.
Don't come any closer!
I'll kill her!
!!
Se... senpai, what do we do now?
Hun. It's the end for you but you still don't accept it.

.....
Ugh...
What the hell are you babbling about?
Huh?
A lot of people hate you.
The area around you is full of hatred.

I'll let you see more clearly.

What's going on?
It suddenly got all dark.
!!
Wahhhhh
Aaaaa... What the hell...

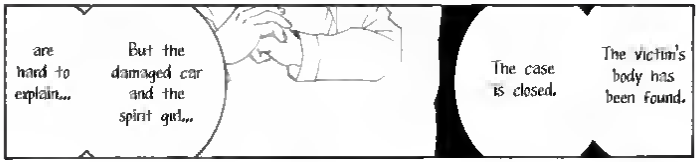
Even though I don't know what's happening, this is a good chance!
Wahhh What the hell is this?!
Get your dirty hands...
off Maki!!!

Y... yeah...
You guys better surrender.
Back-up is on the way.
Good.

You can go home.
This is good. Now they will find you.
Maki!! Are you okay?
Don't cry, okay?
!
pst

We solved another big case.
You did good. You're great!

Please take care of me from now on.
Blush
Huh?
From now on is a bit...
Hey, Nakabayashi, say something.


The victim's body has been found.
The case is closed.
But the damaged car and the spirit quit... are hard to explain...

I'm sorry. I've decided to transfer you to another department.
A transfer despite all that?
THE SECOND DEMOTION HAS BEEN CONFIRMED.

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Aaahh!!
Please let me go.
Please stop!
HEHEHEHE
No way!
Sto...
HEHEHE
HE HE HE HE

soul#03
THE DEVIL

I guess our superiors want to remind us what it was like when we first joined the police force.
Police Headquarters
Police Headquarters, Criminal Holding Unit...

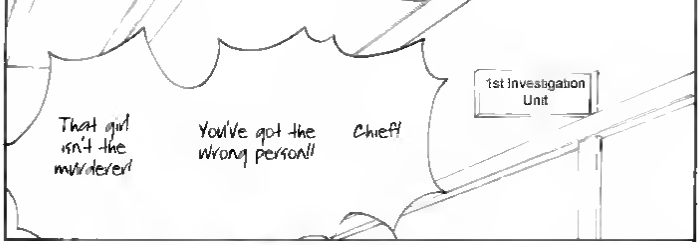
Something happened!!
Stop saying that, Senpai. I already feel like dying.
These uniforms sure bring back memories, huh?
In other words, we are no longer detectives.

The one responsible for three big crime sprees this year?
Mass murderer?
Senpai, if you don't wear the uniform, you'll get in trouble.
カチャ
Criminal Holding Unit, report!
The mass murderer has been apprehended

Lock her up!

Huh?
What is it?
.....
Maki (Temporary Name)-chan?
What were you doing?
Sneaking away from the hospital and ending up at a murder scene...
.....
The detectives on this case said the hotel room where it happened, was locked from the inside.
How did you get in?

I don't remember how I got inside.
I received information that a lot of people would die, so I went to try to stop it.
KILL ME NOW!
BAM BAM
Be strong, Senpai!
I heard from the victims that the murderer
is a male of about 20 years old.
He looks rather feminine
and has very delicate features.


1st Investigation Unit
That girl isn't the murderer!
You've got the wrong person!!
Chief!

Chief!
Go back to your own department.
Hey, Murakami, Nakabayashi, you guys aren't part of the 1st Investigation Unit anymore.

She's only lost her memory. The doctor said that besides that, her mind and body are healthy.
and most importantly, she was found in a locked room at the scene of the crime
her identity is unknown,
The girl lives in a mental hospital,

The case is closed! There is no other culprit!
You guys go back to your assigned duties right now!
Please find the real culprit quickly and let her go!
The most important thing is that she is a kind person!
She isn't capable of killing anyone!

THE POLICE HAVE ARRESTED A SUSPECT IN THE MASS MURDER CASE. SHE IS AN UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE PATIENT AT A TOKYO MENTAL HOSPITAL.
THE WOMAN WAS APPREHENDED IN THE HOTEL ROOM WHERE THE MURDERS TOOK PLACE.
In the room?
That girl there sure is cute.
Dumbass, isn't that a guy?
Huh? Really?
Strange.
THE FEMALE SUSPECT IS SAID TO BE SUFFERING FROM AMNESIA.
Hmm...
Amnesia...

Maki-chan
The situation is serious.
I can't get you out of here right now.
But I will definitely help you, so just wait here for a bit.
I'm sorry.
You don't remember how you got into the hotel room?
If we could figure out how you got into a locked room...
Then maybe we could prove that the real murderer escaped and you could get out of here.
I don't remember.

.....
I've always wondered...
The hospital is way out in the country.
How do you manage to get from there to Tokyo?
With no money, there's no way.
Unless you intercourse?
I never remember.
Maki-chan
Hmm... weird.
Ogh
You'll get chilled wearing just that.
Come, put this on.
And this is a present.
Snacks.
Thank you, Nakabayashi-san.
It can be resolved, Senpai.
Are you talking about Maki's situation or your debt?
Which is it?
Please work hard and repay the remaining 550,000* yen debt.

*Note: In chapters 1 & 2, the debt amounts were actually 500,000 & 100,000 yen. We got mixed up during the proofreading process.

Murakami-san,
please arrest the murderer.
You're pretty enthusiastic. Plan on joining the police when you grow up?
The people who were killed are very sad.
I want to help them.
That may be, but I don't want you to put yourself in harm's way!!
I don't mind.
But, I mind.
Why?
Why what?
Turning

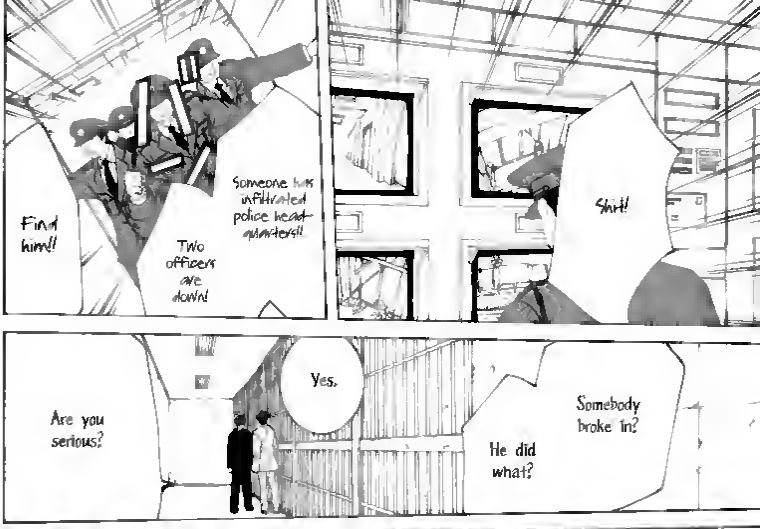
!
BA-
DUMP
?
I'm not telling you.
Blushing

you and he...
seem to be tied together by fate.
The person behind him...
the case this time is not so simple.
It involves something evil.
Something evil?
you will be eaten.

STEP
STEP
Hey, you...
Wah
The entrance for civilians is over there.
STEP
Can't I go in through here?
Smile
Wow, how cute
Is it a guy or a girl?
Uh, it's the rules...

WHOOSH
Then, go to hell.
Heheheh...
Aaaaa
AAAAAA...
Heheheh

Murakami-san!
Nakabay shi-san! Wake up!
Wha?
?
The murderer!
Hehehe...
Hehehe...
A criminal has broken in!


Find him!!
Two officers are down!
Someone has infiltrated police headquarters!!
Shit!

Are you serious?
Yes.
He did what?
Somebody broke in?

Nakabayashi, you stay here
Ye... Yes!

It's true. Two people have just been killed.

I'll ask you.
カッ
You...Why is there blood all over you?
Where is the holding cell for the mass murderer?
Smile

She's cute.
Hey, who is that girl?
Tell me!
He looks rather feminine and has very delicate features...
Everyone get back!!
That's the real mass murderer!!

Hun?
You, stop right there!
Do you know where you are?
What are you doing here?
Ugh..aa aaa...
What am I doing here?
I've come...
to eat her.

In there!
Take him down!
Aaargh!
Tsk
Tsk

Weak opponents are so much fun to dispose of.
This is why I can't stop.
!!
!!
Don't move!!
We'll shoot!!
How did that happen...?
He's so strong.
Aaaahh...

Then shoot!
.....
Uh...
Wa...
!!
AAAAAHHH

What is it?
This feeling. .
I hope Senpai is okay...
Someone... fired a gun...
It's terrifying.
how long are you going to lie there and sleep? If this continues, maki will be eaten.
Huh, there's a voice.
!
this kind of evil spirit is rarely seen.
It's an evil spirit who eats the souls of others in order to become more powerful.

カツ
You...
Who are you?
Nakabayashi-san!
Run... run away... quickly!
Hehehehe...
Hehehehe...
カツ
ボボボボ

No, Nakabayashi-san!
Wha..
What do you want here?
Get out of the way.
カツ
カツ
カツ
I've found it.
A rare, high-quality one.

What a beautiful soul.
Get your hands off her!
You bastard!

HYAAHHH!

ゴロゴロ

That felt great.
Hey...
Hey!
Disappeared? What disappeared?
?
It disappeared, Murakami-san.
Hey, is he asleep?
Breath—

Hmm, Hmm
?
Your power repelled them.
There were a lot of bad people but they ran away!!
I want to switch this person with that girl.
Unlock the cell.
Aah
Are you guys alright?
Wah
Very tired... I'm very tired and I heard a weird voice, too.
Are you okay?
But the evil spirit is gone...
I think he was possessed.
What just happened? It sure was dangerous back there.

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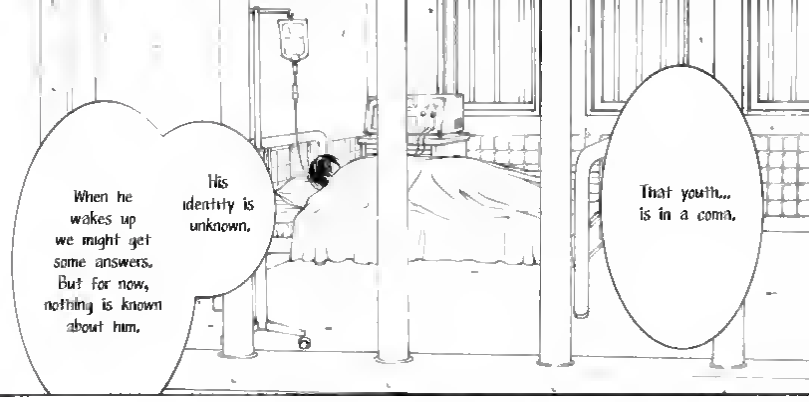
Squeeze
.....
Answer me.
.....
Maki-chan, don't do dangerous things anymore, okay?


That youth... is in a coma.
His identity is unknown.
When he wakes up we might get some answers. But for now, nothing is known about him.

Quite a few detectives were injured in this incident so we're short of help.
You two can return to being detectives.
Then we can re-join the 1st Investigation Unit?
Yeah.

How lucky!
Yay!
Banzai!!
But only temporarily, until things get back to normal...
Oh well, I shouldn't rain on their parade by telling them

THREE DAYS LATER, MURAKAMI AND NAKABAYASHI WERE ONCE AGAIN DEMOTED!!

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A GIRL WITH AMNESIA WHO HAS COMPLETELY FORGOTTEN HER NAME, AGE, AND PAST.
MAKI (TEMPORARY NAME).
A GIRL WITH UNIQUE ABILITIES
SHE HAS SPIRITUAL POWERS
SHE CAN TALK WITH THE DEAD,
HEAL PAIN, AND REVEAL UNSEEN SPIRITS.

soul#04
THE MOON

TONIGHT SHE WILL BE DEMONSTRATING HER SPIRITUAL POWERS...
REAL OR FAKE - YOU DECIDE!!
TV VIEWERS, BRACE YOURSELVES! YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE AMAZED!
パッ
パッ
パッ
ワアアアアア

So it was just a dream...
Ohh!! Time to switch!

soul#04

THE MOON

Murakami-san
Hey~

I'm off today.
And uhmm... I got permission from the doctor to take you out for a walk.

Go put those on. I will wait for you here.
Err... Didn't I buy you some clothes?
Acts like a six-year-old kid...
Is she okay?
nod
Please give me a call if anything happens.
The doors will close at six.
!
SMILE
here's some money. Buy whatever you want.
Oh yeah,

Murakami hasn't slept much in the last few days.
he was transferred to the department of transportation
The person behind him...
he's been on a stake-out for the last three days
because of a big case.
he seems to care very deeply for you...
but if he doesn't get some rest, I am afraid he will collapse from exhaustion

Hmm...

I fell asleep?
What... ?
Hmm...
Huh?
WAHHHHHH!
?
SCRAMBLE

What the hell are you doing?
I was looking at your face while you were sleeping.
Damnit, I got too nervous just now.
Murakami-san, when you take off your glasses, you look very similar to the person behind you.
Huh?
that's not so surprising, we are related, after all.
even though he is a dumbass, he is still my great~grand~son.
AHHH! It is already this late! Shit! Maki-chan, let's go!
You are his great-grand-father?
that's right.
The person behind you is your great-grand-father.
Isn't that wonderful?
What's so wonderful about that?
I don't care! Let's go!

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キラキラキラ
Soma*
I'll buy you whatever you want. Just name it.
NOT THAT ONE!!
Un... underwear...

That's not her...
Not that! You're still too young for that kind of stuff!
♪
SCAN
SCAN

What is he doing?
He is worried about the six-year-old girl
who was kidnapped.
He seems to be looking for her,
TUMS
TUMS
even though he is officially off duty.
He's been like this ever since he was little.
It isn't that child, either.

Wah...
I will help you look for that girl!!!
I will look for her, too!
The kidnapped child.
What girl?
This information hasn't been released to the public; how the hell do you know about it?
I heard it from the person behind you.
NOS
Damn you! How dare you talk so much!
He is not over there.
What a dumb-ass.
He is actually over there.

And, I know how helpful your spiritual powers can be...
It's true that I'm worried about the kidnapped girl...
Just count how many times you've been put in danger already.
But, I really don't want you to get involved in these criminal matters.
nod
Do you mean, "Just tell me a little bit"?
?
Hmm...
Alright, but just a little.

This is the little girl.
Three days ago, as the girl was walking home from school, a witness saw her being forced into a car by a suspicious-looking man.
Her whereabouts are still unknown.

I'm so sorry.
Aww, it fell!
Aah!
Hey!!
Maki!?
When did she appear?
Ahhhh?
Ehhh?

ガヤ
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ガヤ
Sorry, have you seen the girl that came in with me?
Eh?
I don't think so.
No one left this way.
and there's only this one exit.
Could it be...
How can that be possible?
That she disappeared?!
.....

STEPS
May I ask you...
Have you seen this girl?
you can see me?
Yes.
Where did this girl go?
Have you seen her around?

Really? Thank you.
that way.
MAKI DISAP-PEARED!!
She disappeared right in front of my eyes! Get over here and help me look for her! Now!
Shush!
Were you guys on a date?
I don't know! She planned to go look for the kidnapped girl.
Where did Maki-chan go?
Naka-bayashi! You are so freak-ing slow!
Good morning~

Oh, that girl's been found already.
The suspect's been arrested as well.
I heard the Kanagawa police found her this afternoon and brought her back safely.
!
The girl has been found? Where is she now?
She's being examined at the Kanagawa Hospital.
横浜東英病院
SCREECH!

MAKI!!
Ah she's over there
Murakami-san

How did you manage to do it?
?
It seems the little girl has been found. I heard she was safe.
This is so great.
Uh-oh.
Grrrowl
Maki!
Hmm
.....
How did you disappear right in front of my eyes?
How did you get to this hospital?
How did you do it?!

Senpai, Senpai!
Please, calm down a little.
How the hell can you not remember?!
Oh!
I don't remember...
Don't you think it's strange at all?
You can enter a locked room at a murder scene,
you can leave a hospital and travel miles away without any money,
and now you manage to disappear right before my eyes!
.....
You don't have any money on you, so how did you do it?!
Not to mention that you just came all the way from Tokyo to Kanagawa!
Where's the change?
The doctor gave it to me.
I do have money.
You didn't get any change?
The bus fare shouldn't have been a lot...
You didn't have any change on you, right?
Senpai, don't ask any more.

Maki-chan, let's go.
DRAG
DRAG
okay?
let's go eat in the Asian Quarter,
Come on. Since we are rarely in Yokohama,
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Okay.
I'll take her home now.

You should be more gracious and generous!
You talk too much!

I know.
Senpai, she is a girl, after all. You shouldn't yell at her.

We came back too late.
It's already eight...
The doors closed at six.

Murakami-san,
do you like me?

Do you like me?
Why did you ask that all of a sudden?!
Why...
Uh...
That... I...

I LOVE YOU!!
I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!!
ARG!
I DON'T CARE ANY-MORE...
Damn... What the hell did I just say?
Me, too.
Blush~

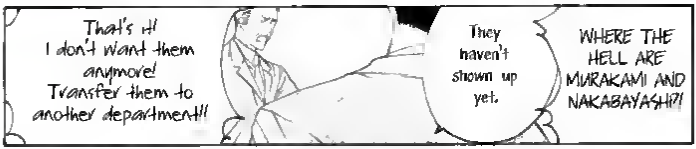
I love you, too.

SIZZLE
.....
Murakami-san, that's why...
Please... don't despise me...
because I'm not a normal person.

Bow
Thank you very much for today.
Good night.
Did I hurt her?
Idiot.
dumbass.
you should apologize

I still want to see you!
We can go shopping again!
I don't care about your special abilities...
Maki!!
Maki-chan!
I am sorry!
SMILE

but, considering your future,
it might be better for you to be unaware of the truth...
sigh... oh, well...
Ekk, this is so embarrassing!
to be ignorant of maki's secret..


That's it! I don't want them anymore! Transfer them to another department!!!
They haven't shown up yet.
WHERE THE HELL ARE MURAKAMI AND NAKABAYASHI?!

MURAKAMI AND NAKABAYASHI FAILED TO SHOW UP. THEIR TRANSFER HAS BEEN CONFIRMED!
SNOOZE
SNOOZE
YUREI-KUN

FRONTIER LEADERS: CENTIME & CONWAY
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A LOVE TRIANGLE BETWEEN
ETERNAL-BLUE & BINGO-FANG

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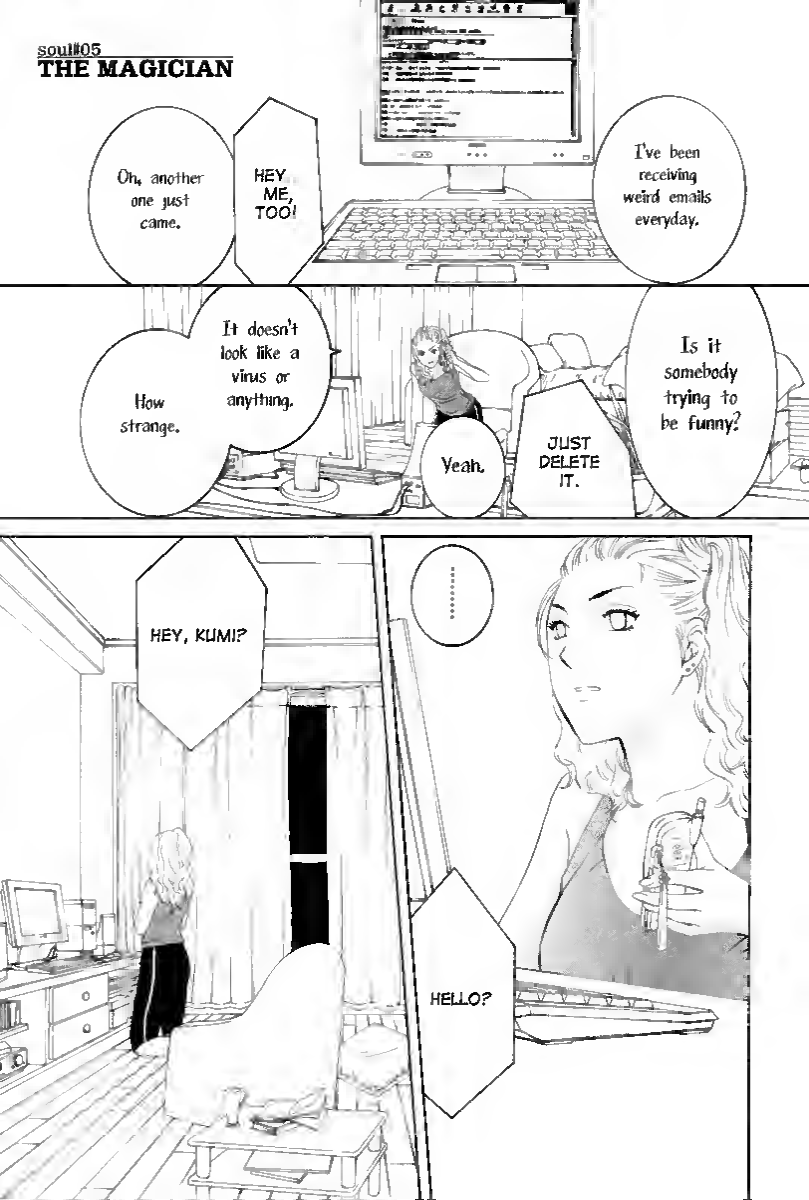
THE MAGICIAN



?
HELLO?
HELLO?
KUMI?!
HELLO-?

soul#05

THE MAGICIAN

RIING!
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
RIING!
Katsuki > Can it be this news??
Miya > Does anyone know where Kumi lives?
Miya > I called her a couple of times after that but there was no answer
March 15, 2001 23.30
<A high school student jumps to her death in a suicide>
NATIONWIDE INCREASE IN NUMBER OF ADOLESCENT SUICIDES
Morning Edition News
In Tokyo's Shibuya District, high school student Nakatani Kumi-san (17) died instantly after jumping from her third-floor apartment. The adolescent suicide rate has increased dramatically to 2.5 times what it was last year.
(Morning Edition News March 15)
Miya!! There's a call from the police!
What did you do?!
Kumi?

The police called to question me.
I only met her once in person.
One of your internet friends died?!
tired
Yeah, I guess so.
So you were the last person to talk to her?
Ignore them.
tired
STARE
STARE
Ah, the guys from Shubukou are staring at you again.
You're an idol!

What's with that girl?
Huh?
You should stop talking about the same things over and over.
That kind of stuff is not worth discussing.
Oh my, aren't you interested in men?
HUGE

How embarrassing.
She looks like she's dying to buy that underwear.
Her clothes are weird,
like she ran away from some hospital.
WAH HA HA!
Hey, Miss. you want that one?
!
<SFX DASH>
Oji-san will buy it for you. How about that?
?
You'll buy it for me?
Sure, but later. First, come with me to my car for a bit.
Miya?
?
Nao-chan! Sorry for making you wait♪
!
<SFX SHOCKED>

Sorry I'm late~
Everyone's waiting for you.♪
Bye-Bye, Oji-san!♪
Let's go~♪
SEX. GRAB

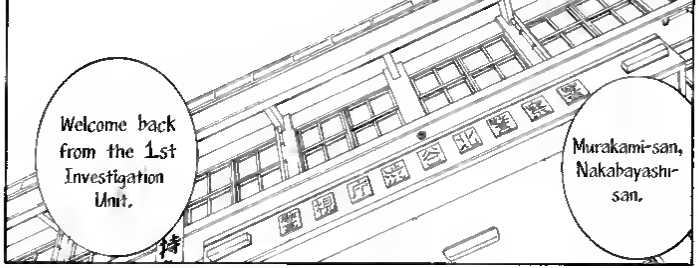
Miya, just leave her alone.
Miss Goody Two Shoes~
?
No way.

That person said he would buy clothes for me.
He said that because he wanted to take advantage of you.

No matter how you look at it, she seems rather pitiful, right?
How could I just leave her alone!
?
She's really adorable

What does being taken advantage of mean?
Something that's right up my alley!
Shut up!
What's your name?
Maki.
Where do you live?
In a hospital.
Do you know how to get back there?
I do.
Are you sure you can go home by yourself?
I can. Thank you very much for your kindness.
Okay then, see ya.
Don't go off with any strangers.

Why are you...
...following me?
.....
Where are you going?
Ungh
I'm going home.
That's a lie. Your home is that way.
!!
How did you know?
The person behind you told me.


Welcome back from the 1st Investigation Unit.
Murakami-san, Nakabayashi-san.

How noisy.
We're in the middle of working on some files. So please go away.
We finally got to return to the Investigation Unit...
...and now we end up here.
Ah, how are you?

Yeah.
コチコチ
Nakabayashi, we need to work harder, solve a big case, and go back to being detectives.

Yes?
Excuse me!

This girl is lost.
Please take care of her.
It's like this!
Bye-Bye, Maki-chan!
I'll leave her with you.
Huh? What? You guys know one another? That's great.
In that case...
Maki-chan (temporary name), you even showed up here.
<SFX: COLLAPSING>
ガーン

That kind girl...
Yeah, she brought you here. She really is kind.
Murakami-san, that girl...
huh?
Huh?
If we don't do something...
...tonight she'll be killed.

Following an innocent high school girl...
Where is she going?
Correct.
What you said is true, right?
Can't be helped. Maki said she'll get killed.
This involves personal rights issues...
She's completely my type.
Idiot.
She's a really good kid.
ペコペコ
She's giving her a very detailed explanation.
Ah, the old lady is asking her for directions.

Jumping from such a height...
Why?
Kumi...
Hey, wasn't there a suicide at this apartment complex a few days ago?
She went inside.

Murakami-san.
There are both kinds.
The situation isn't good.
There are bad people inside.
Oh?
Are they alive or dead?

カチャ
<SFX CLICK>
I guess I'll give up.
The door's locked.
Well of course, it would be.
<SFX CLICK>
カチャ
ガチャ

It was locked just a minute ago.
It suddenly opened...!
キィ
<SFX CREAK>
!
カチャ
<SFX CLICK>
It couldn't be...
Is anyone there?
Good afternoon.
<SFX SQUEAK>
ギィ
I'll just go inside.
<SFX SILENCE>

Light switch.
Light switch.
It's dark.
Ah, found it.
<SFX: SWISH>
!!

Ahhhhh!
What!?
!?
There isn't anyone?
Whaaaa!

Are you okay?
Whaaaa!
Stalk-ers!
<SFX PANIC>
!
Yaaaah!!!
Wait a minute.
Calm down. We're not stalkers.
<SFX WOOSH>

ミシャ
<SEX FINISH>
Let me introduce myself.
I'm Murakami Kenshou, a detective from the 1st Investigation Unit. For various reasons, I'm now working in the Shibuya Branch.
I'm Nakabayashi.
Nice to meet you ♥
You are Totsuka Miya, a high school student, 16 years old.
And a friend of Nakatani Kumi-san, the former occupant of this apartment.
You're here because of her suicide...
She lost her memory. She doesn't know who she is.
Just call her Maki for now.
Lo...
Lost her memory?
Umm... Uh...
She is...
And her?!
Who is she?

You've been chosen.
Wha?
You've been chosen by those people.
The girl who lived here was killed because of that.
<SFX NODS>
The computer?!

Hey, why do you guys have to follow me to my room?
Excuse us!
Please, come in.
!!
ヨオォ
オオオ
What?
<SFX: DOO>
?
How terrifying.
rBook

!!
Murakami-san, please break this thing.
Ma..Maki, can you explain more clearly what's going on here?
Can a detective do something like that?!
What are you talking about?! This model is very expensive!!
the netherworld is where the spirits dwell.
the entrances and exits to and from that world are called spiritual portals.
"The nether-world" ... He said.
It's a spiritual portal.
He says it's a spiritual portal.

"It's a curse that gathers evil spirits which then attack the chosen victim."
"This one has been intentionally opened by a person with strong spirit powers."
"This is different from a naturally occurring spiritual portal."
Curse...?
"Who do you think did this?"
"Nakatani Kumi died because of that curse."
"Someone is controlling them."
"Nakatani Kumi-san has already been absorbed by the evil spirits."
"People killed by the curse become part of the curse."

I've been receiving weird emails everyday,
but they're just pranks, right?
Even with that information, I don't know who could be behind it.
Then,
I'll let you see clearly.
<SFX BREATH>
イ

!!
ゴウ
This...
What is this wind?

ああああああ!!

Ah!
Miya.
カリ
!!
You come, too.
Miya-san.
カリ
Whaaaa!

He.. Help me! Do something!
What is this?
Miya-san, I don't have the power to chase them away.
The only person who can do it...
...is him.
What?
What's going on?
I beg you. Get rid of them, smash my computer
Huh?
Why did you change your mind all of a sudden?
Please hit it, mercilessly.
Yes... mercilessly.
Can I really?
Is it okay?
I'm going to do it now!
Mercilessly hit...
Huh...?

Waaahh!!!
FIGHT!
?!
<SFX. SWOOSH>
ﾌﾜﾝ
?
Hmm
They disappeared.
Gaaaaahh!!!!

You've the one who told me to hit it!!
I'll pester you until you replace it!!
キャース
<SFX: WHINES>
my com-puter !!
You have to replace

the one who created this curse used it to kill quite a few people if he isn't killed.
a normal person would probably die from his own curse.
when the curse is lifted, it returns to its creator.
<SFX: WHINES>
you must be careful.
you could become his next target.
aha
キャース
he may come looking for us
<SFX: BLEAH>

Murakami and Nakahayashi received a reprimand from their superiors.
Reimburse her, immediately.
She said you barged into her house and destroyed her computer.

TRANSLATOR: EVIL-PANDA
(& LITTLE HELP FROM
KIMYOUTORA)
EDITOR: AERYNN
PROOFREADER: CONWAYT
RAWS PROVIDER: ALIERA
A JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN
#ETERNAL-BLUE & #HNGO-TRANS

Do you want to kill someone?
Let me lend you a hand.
Come. Come with me.

soul#06
DEATH

Thank you for your business!
The total is 216,500 yen.
I really don't get it.
What's so interesting about playing with computers...
Arg
Twitch
So lucky!
This is so nice! My Mac went from a G4 to a G5!
You can do these things so quickly?
Huh?
Just get Maki-chan (temporary name) so I can take a picture of her.
We can get started right away. We just need to have a picture. It's possible to get it all done today!
The internet is a very useful tool, duh! For example, if I need to research something...
Oh yeah,
do you want me to set up an identification website for Maki-chan (temporary name)?

What?
No, it's not impossible. Although it's hard to believe...
It takes about an hour to get to the hospital from here.
We can't do it today since it's already evening...
Hehehe
Maki seems to be able to teleport.
Yeah!
We're going to summon her?
Concentrate!
We can try reaching her with telepathy.
Then...
It's the truth!
Eh—
You don't look too good. Are you okay?
Senpai, you must be really tired...
What?
Maki can do more than just talk to spirits!!
You guys don't believe me?

Maakii-chaaaan
Nonsense.
We look like a bunch of morons!
Ah!
Wait!
You forget to take your stuff.
Deliver it to my house for me.
I have to go meet some friends right now...
!?
!!

What?
?
munch munch
Murakami-san.
munch
What's the matter?
!!!!
MAKI?!
Waaaaah!

I am eating dinner.
munch munch
You— You were eating dinner...
OF COURSE IT ISN'T!!!
Why the hell would I do something like that?!
munch munch
This... this isn't your idea of a joke, is it?
Then I will put this information on the website. We need a picture.
Maki-chan, look this way.
What do you remember?
I am not quite sure.
The police found Maki just wandering in the street.
Ahem... Maki-chan's special abilities include...
Conversing with spirits!! Enabling others to see spirits!! Teleportation!! Telepathy!!
Anything else?

Yeah, yeah...
You guys leave for a minute. And don't you dare peek!
I need to examine her for scars or other distinguishing marks.
Alright, now we need a physical description.
!!
Maki-chan! You're not wearing any underwear? Not even down there?!
Well... I don't have any money for underwear.
I'll buy some for you!
I have a job.
Ahhh! Cover up! Even if we're both females, you should still cover your private parts!
Like this?
Not the top! Down there!
Wait! I'll let you wear the underwear I just bought!

P Book
Please tell me, who am I?
Height : 159cm
Weight : 43kg
Foot size : 23.5cm
Special Abilities: Converses with spirits!
Enables others to see spirits!
Teleportation!
Telepathy!
Done!
身元捜索BBS
Weren't you serious about what I suggested earlier?
This... This looks like some kind of hoax.
Don't worry about the rest. I will print this out and pass it among my friends.
Okay. I'll leave it to you then!
Sorry for all the trouble.
I'll submit this site to the different domains and search engines.
Miya-san...
Thank you.

Maki-chan, are you free tomorrow?
Want to go shopping together?
YOU, TOO! Meet at the front of Shibuya Center at five o'clock tomorrow.
We'll buy her some new clothing.
Hmm.
Yeah, yeah.
You hear? You'd better show up!
Isn't this great, Maki-chan?
You just made a new friend.
She's so pushy.

Ah, it's about time to go back.
That's true...
Then I shall take my leave now.
Eh?
!!
!!
Why the hell are you guys making such a racket in front of someone's house? It's annoying!
Senpai! Pinch me!
GAAAH
This is a dream! A DREAM!!
Nakabayashi!!
wuuuuelhhhh?

JR
渋谷駅
Spiritual powers... supernatural powers... Maki seems less and less like a normal human.
Sigh.

ペタ
Murakami-san.

She's a teenage girl, no matter how you look at it, right? But disappearing like that? Didn't her parents try looking for her?
Who is Maki, really?

So... So cute.
sulk

ペタ
ペタ

Huh?
Hey, isn't that Detective Murakami over there?
!
Excuse me, may I ask...
Oi, oi,
Dating a girl while on duty... I'm so envious of detectives.
What's the...
What?
Wow, so cute!
matter...

Hey...
What's wrong with you?
?
ヨロ
コツ
コツ
Huh?
What's wrong?
You...
I'm going to kill you.

Miya-chan is still not here.
She was still alone inside...
H-hey!
What's wrong? Where are you going?
Eh?
Murakami-san, the bad people are coming.

That person.
Huh?
He's a policeman. Which part of him looks like a bad person?
AH! Is this for real?

MAKI!!
Kyaaa
AH! What just happened here?
Are they shooting a movie here?
Eh? What?
H hhhh—

I have to kill...
everyone.
I have to kill you.
Aaah!!
Hurry up and run!

Waaaaaah!
Aahhhhhh!!
What's going on?
Why is it so noisy outside?
So clumsy.
Ah...
There won't be enough bullets.
Let's add one more person.

Two people have been shot!!
Officer Kimura suddenly started firing his gun into the crowd.
Emergency!!
BANG
TOILET
110

"Maki"-chan,
I have to confirm your identity.
Murakami-san.
コオオオ
ヨッ
ヨッ
That person has been possessed...
by an evil person.
Just my luck!! I didn't bring my gun with me today.

Listen, you back up a little.
I'll kill you!
What the hell are you saying?
Snap out of it!!

Ungh...
Hey!!
Don't just stand there. Come and help me!

Hey!
You, too...?
What...

Ma—

MAKI!!

Ma...!
Hmm...?
DRIP
DRIP
TURNING
.....

The show is over.♪
SWISH
!!
I have to kill you!
Stop!

What's going on?
How did you get shot?!
Kyaaa!
Maki, you didn't get hurt?
Are you okay?
NOD
Murakami-san, I...
NOD
Did I just get shot?

I might not be human.

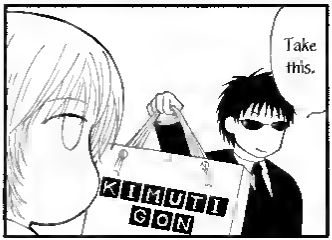
Your body is warm;
there's blood running through your veins.
That makes you human, doesn't it?
SOFTLY
It was just a fluke that you weren't hit.
That's all, right? It was just luck.
Don't worry about it.
PAT
PAT

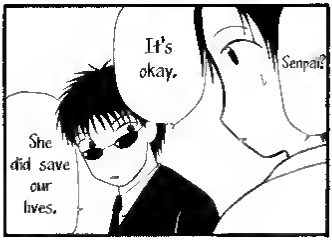
Now then...
What should I do with those two? ♪

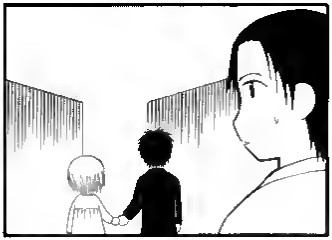
IN THE END, THE POLICE INSURANCE COMPANY REFUSED TO COVER THE HOSPITAL COSTS.
Senpai! Hang in there!
Slacking off during work and going on a date with a girl~~~

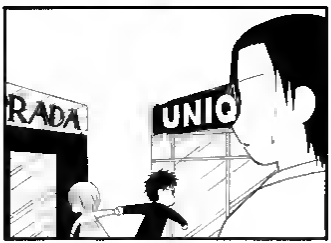
*Note "Is there really such a thing" is said "arucaina" (arcaina) in katakana very similar to Arcana! Another Japanese play on words, hehe

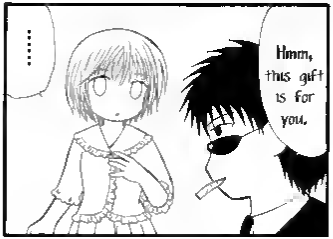
Takeda Rui's "Is there really such a thing?" #1







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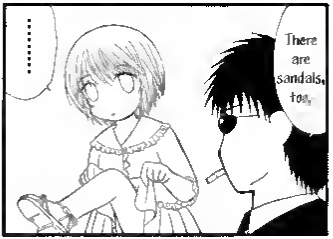
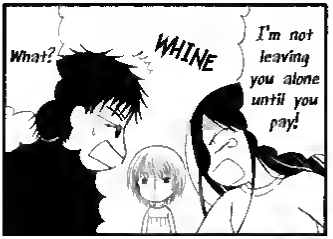
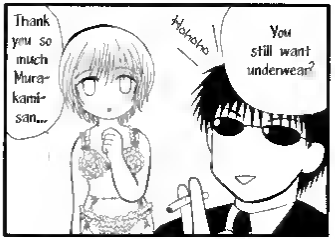
Hmm, this gift is for you.

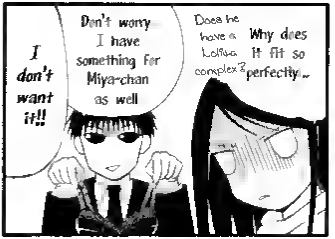
My computer!!
I want reparations!


.....
There are sandals, too.


What?
WHINE
I'm not leaving you alone until you pay!

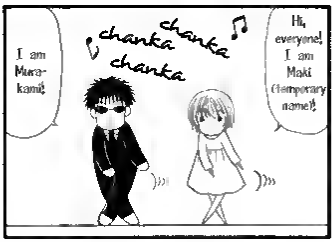

Thank you so much Murakami-san...
Hahahaa
You still want underwear?

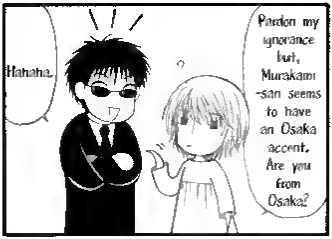
Won't leave me alone...
Until I pay!!

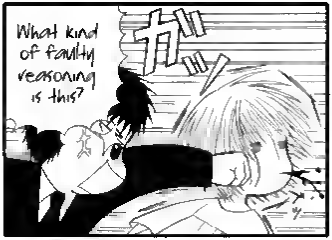

I don't want it!!
Don't worry I have something for Miya-chan as well
Does he have a Lolita complex?
Why does it fit so perfectly...

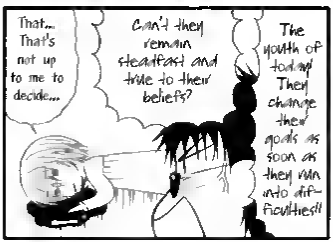
Please! I'm begging you! Help me!
Think Rei-kun is too strong. I can't fight it.
You are now being targeted.
Murder?
Then wouldn't my life be the best?
Yes!

Takeda Eri's "Is there really such a thing?" #3



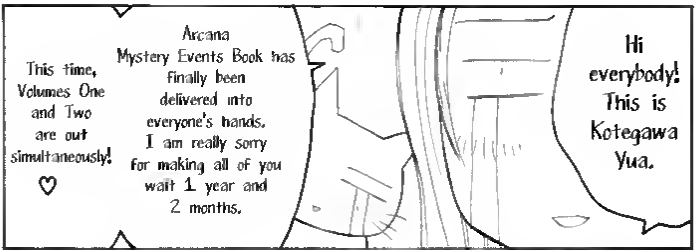


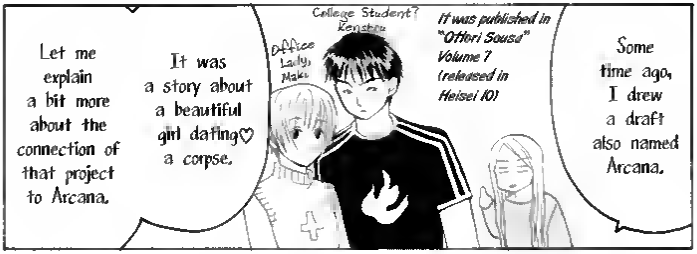



That... That's not up to me to decide...
Can't they remain steadfast and true to their beliefs?
The youth of today! They change their goals as soon as they run into difficulties!!

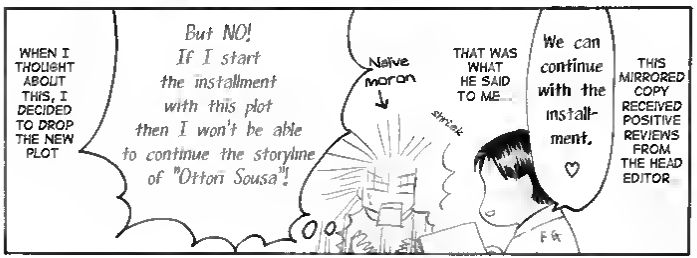
Then is Chikushi Tetsuya an American?
Using that logic, wouldn't that mean everyone who speaks English on TV is an American?

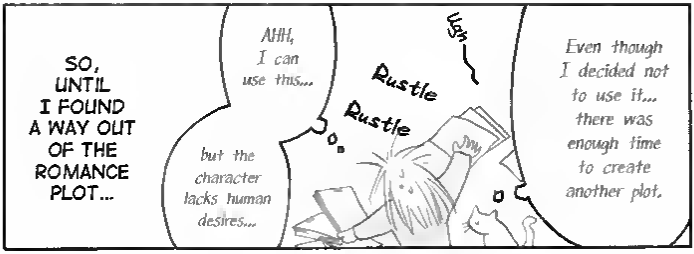
*Note Chikushi Tetsuya is a famous journalist and debater

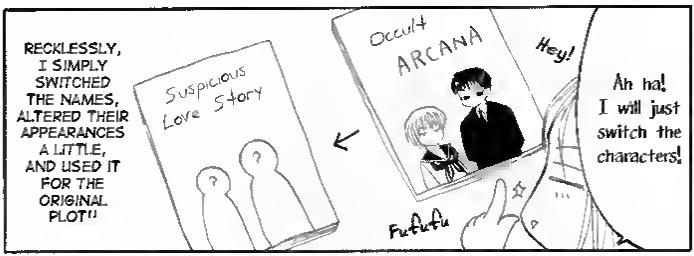

This time, Volumes One and Two are out simultaneously! ♡
Arcana Mystery Events Book has finally been delivered into everyone's hands. I am really sorry for making all of you wait 1 year and 2 months.
Hi everybody! This is Kotegawa Yua.

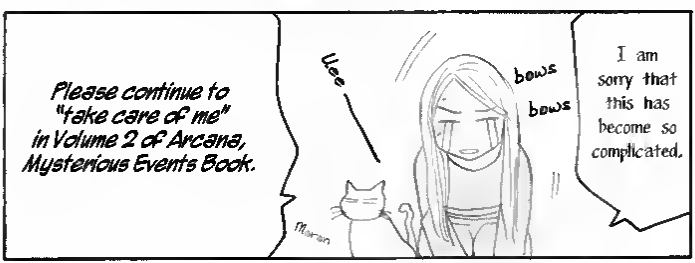

Let me explain a bit more about the connection of that project to Arcana.
It was a story about a beautiful girl dating♡ a corpse.
College Student? Kenstu
Office Lady Maki
It was published in "Ottori Sousa" Volume 7 (released in Heisei 10)
Some time ago, I drew a draft also named Arcana.

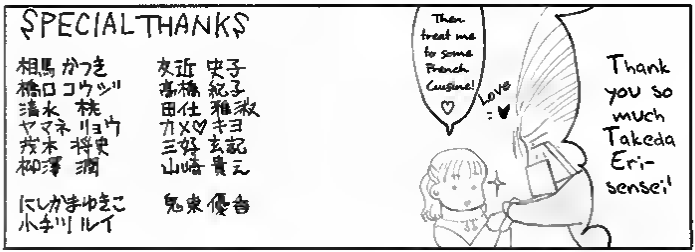
AT THAT TIME, I DREW A MYSTERIOUSLY COLORFUL PLOT FOR ARCANA.
Maki
I used the same settings for Kenshin→
the Alchemist
THE EVENTS STARTED IN HEISEI 10. I WAS IN YJ PUBLISHING WRITING A SHORT INSTALLMENT FOR THE ONGOING "OTTORI SOUSA".


WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS, I DECIDED TO DROP THE NEW PLOT
But NO! If I start the installment with this plot then I won't be able to continue the storyline of "Ottori Sousa"!
Naive moron
THAT WAS WHAT HE SAID TO ME...
shrink
We can continue with the installment. ♡
THIS MIRRORED COPY RECEIVED POSITIVE REVIEWS FROM THE HEAD EDITOR.


SO, UNTIL I FOUND A WAY OUT OF THE ROMANCE PLOT...
Ahh, I can use this...
but the character lacks human desires...
Rustle
Rustle
Ugh
Even though I decided not to use it... there was enough time to create another plot.


RECKLESSLY, I SIMPLY SWITCHED THE NAMES, ALTERED THEIR APPEARANCES A LITTLE, AND USED IT FOR THE ORIGINAL PLOT!!
Suspicious Love Story
Occult ARCANA
Hey!
Ah ha! I will just switch the characters!
Fufufu


Please continue to "take care of me" in Volume 2 of Arcana, Mysterious Events Book.
Uee
bows
bows
I am sorry that this has become so complicated.
Maron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相馬 かつを
橋口 コウッリ
清水 桃
ヤマネ リョウ
茂木 将史
柳澤 潤
にしかまゆきこ
小手川 ルイ
友近 史子
高橋 紀子
田仕 雅敏
カメ♡キヨ
三好 玄記
山崎 貴え
鬼東 優吾
Then treat me to some French Cuisine!
Love
Thank you so much Takeda Eri-sensei!

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